

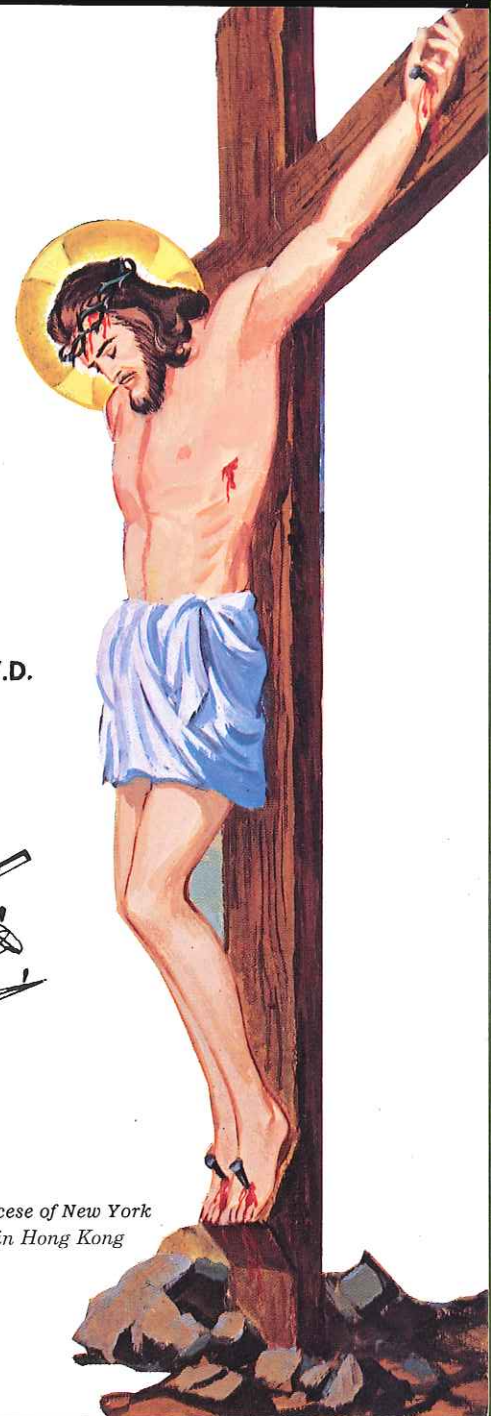
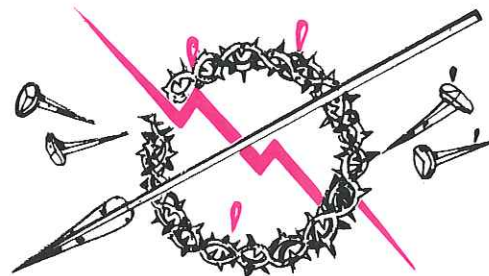
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# The Stations of the Cross

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## Introduction

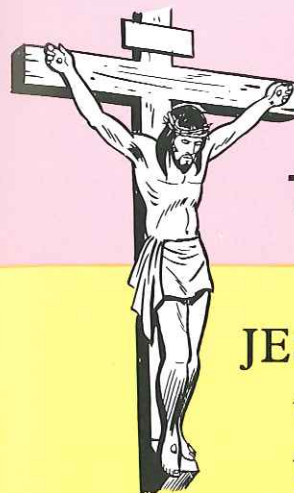
**J**ESUS Christ, the Son of God, lived, suffered, and died for us. Then He rose again in triumph over sin and death.

At the Last Supper, Jesus gave us Holy Mass as a living remembrance of His Death and Resurrection. The Mass is the same sacrifice that He offered to the Father on the Cross.

We can also remember Jesus's suffering and death by making the Stations of the Cross at any time, especially on Fridays and during all the days of Lent.

The beautiful pictures in this book will help us see how much Jesus suffered for love of us. The simple words will help us tell Jesus of our love and gratitude.

*Indulgences* — Those who devoutly make the Stations of the Cross may gain a plenary indulgence, which can be applied to the Poor Souls in Purgatory.



## PRAYER BEFORE SAYING THE STATIONS of the CROSS

JESUS, I want to make  
this way of the Cross  
to show how much I love You  
and thank You,  
and to tell You how sorry I am  
for having hurt You by my sins.

I wish to gain all the indulgences I can  
and offer them for the Poor Souls  
in Purgatory,  
especially for our family and friends.

Mary, Mother of Sorrows,  
be with me,  
and help me to pray well.





## 1st STATION

### PILATE CONDEMNS JESUS

JESUS, the people want You to die.  
They tell lies about You,  
but You do not say a word.

Then the soldiers beat You with whips  
and put a crown of thorns on Your  
head.

They laugh at You and hit You,  
and then they condemn You to death.

You suffer all this quietly  
because I disobeyed God's Law.

When You judge my soul after I die,  
be kind to me and forgive me!

Lord Jesus crucified,  
have mercy on me!